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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Hon. Assistant Commissioner of Patents

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed 17 June 2003 and accompanies a Request for Continued Examination. This route was chosen rather than an amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 out of concern that such amendment would not be entered due to the need for an additional search. Please reconsider the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.